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UNJUST TREATMENT

THE NEGRO MADE TO FEEL ALL THE DISCOMFORTS OF LIFE

FREE BALLOT AND A FAIR COUNT

Any Other System is Unjust, Tyrannical and Revolutionary—Labor Organizations one of the Most Oppressive Institutions in America.

Editor Mail and Breeze.

Your request for a letter setting forth my views upon the race question is complied with without hesitancy, since you are so liberal that I am confident that whatever I may say will be considered for just what it is worth—no more, no less.

I trust to be free from any bias that ordinarily would influence one so directly concerned, and to discuss your propositions and answer your queries as one seeing from the standpoint of an American, rather than as a Negro, pure and simple.

To begin with, I think there is quite too much discussion of the Negro, both by the "yellow journals," (white) and "yellow journals," (colored). Both have a tendency to focus too much attention upon him, thus causing him in the every day affairs of life to be a marked man.

By this means the good, self-respecting Negro is coming to be the unexpected creature, unaccounted for, and the bad Negro to be the thing expected—the type considered worthy of restraint only as the wild beast, or, at least, not as are other criminals restrained and punished.

You ask me, "Is the Negro generally treated unjustly?" To this I submit that we must first denominate what we consider to be just treatment.

I am sure that the average man would consider fair treatment in the main to be the wright to work untrammeled and unmolested to have comfortable fare in places of travel and public, to have political liberty, the protection of law and the right of trial by a jury of his peers when charged with crime or misdemeanor.

With such sentiments as are set forth by the Declaration of Independence and embodied in the Constitution of the United States as our national criterion, the above enumerated sentiments are necessarily true If any man or set of men are denied these, according to American standards, they are treated unjustly.

WHAT THE NEGRO MAY COMPLAIN OF.

For me to say that the respectable, aye, the best Negroes are often made to suffer inconvenience and hardship, to accept the most menial employment at the most meager wages, when ambitious and competent to do other work, for no other reason than that they are Negroes, is a statement in support of which I can produce abundant evidence. This I have seen time and again. We have in many sections organizations which refust to accept the Negro as a member, and yet strike when he is employed to work with them, giving as a reason that he is not a member of such organization. This seems to me to be extremely hard when we consider that Negro laborer's love for his wife and children is as but the love of any other man for his family—the ones for whom death is sweet if by the same they live in happiness and security. This I would call unjust treatment.

As to the matter of comfort in places of travel, quite often are Negroes made to feel positive discomfort, being compelled to go hungry with money in their pockets when no one will sell to them. They are made to travel in second class coaches and "jim crow" cars, after paying the same fare as other passengers. The Negro who must thus escort or send his female relatives from one locality to another will hardly feel that such treatment is just.

Again, the disfranchisement of the Negro is becoming so general that there seems in many sections, not Southern, a disposition to acquiesce in the same. I am quite sure in America we are all convinced that every citizen should have a "free ballot and a fair count," and any other system is unjust, tyrannical and revolutionary.

I would not for once say that irresponsible men should vote simply because they are of age, but I do believe that if property or educational qualifications are to be in vogue, they should apply to the white man and Negro alike. In such a country as ours where the people are sovereigns, the ballot should be held sacred and is the means of protections for any constituency. Deprived of this the regnancy of justice is a hollow mockery and free government a myth.

Again, even where there remains the right to vote, we sometimes have ambitions to held public office. For what can we expect or hope? I fear not much in the way of offices of public trust.

No man who does not feel as we only can feel, realizing how high our ambition soars, and how low must remain our estate, can appreciate the feeling of some Negroes who have predilections towards politics and statesmanship and yet must forever eschew the same because of this condition. Personally, it is my opinion that the Negro's earlier belief that politics constituted the sine qua non of his life's mission was baneful. His real conception of true citizenship should be the securing of education and real property, becoming a taxpayer, the formation of noble character and the participation in politics, as does every patriotic citizen, as a matter of civic duty—to assist in the securing of the purity and prosperity of the state and the happiness of all the people.

But today the greatest of all sufferings of the Negro's portion is the fact that in many localities he is almost without protection of law or guarantee of life. To be simply accused of crime now often means that his life is in jeopardy. Lynchings for that foulest of all crimes, outrage, have graduated into burnings and inhuman tortue, and now the innocent Negro is at times terrorized, driven from home and sometimes mobbed because of his brother Negro's crime. Witness the Joplin mob, the Evansville and Danville mobs and many others.

A MAN SELECTS HIS OWN COMPANY.

Permit me to say that the plea for reasonable fare in public places and travel is no appeal for the adoption of that conjure term "social equality," used by Negro baiters, or possibly dreamed of by a few foolishly ambitious Negroes. A man selects his own company or society. I do not believe sensible people believe such will be in the remotest future as the term is used—however I think the rules of common fairness in a business and humane way should and will regulate this condition without any thought of social equality.

Far be it from me still more to make any excuse for outrage by any man upon the womanhood of eithar race, but let a speedy trial, conviction and punishment according to law be the portion of the guilty, that the whole of any race may not be blamed for the sins of one man and subjected to treatment putting America in a light of shame before the world, thus making our appeal for the Jews a joke, a meaningless plea in the eyes of other nations.

These are the unjust attitudes assumed toward the Negro in far too many sections for his security and happiness, or for the good name of our common country.

You ask, "Is he becoming a more useful citizen?" He is in a great measure. Statistics prove that he is seeking education in the public schools and higher institutions of learning.

He is getting a better grade of teachers for his schools, a more earnest, able set of preachers for his pulpit, competent physicians to minister unto him in sickness, learned, eloquent lawyers to plead at the bar or protect his affairs in equity.

ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE FREEDMAN.

He pays taxes on over 600 million dollars worth of realty holdings, exclusive of church and school property, all amassed by hard labor and not very remunerative wages, since his emancipation.

He has produced some statesmen, such as Douglass, Bruce, Elliott and White; orators, such as Price, Bowen, Arnett, Mason and Derrick; educators, such as Payne, Mitchell, Page and the great apostle of industrialism, Booker T. Washington.

Negro boys have carried off honors at Cornell, Brown, Yale and Harvard.

Flora Batson, the songbird; Dubois, the scholar; Taylor, the musician; Ira Aldridge, the tragedian; Embry, the theologian; Turner, the philosopher, are ours.

Tanner has painted, Dunbar has tuned his lyre and, touched by the muse, broken forth in song that dies no more.

These are the giants, the ones who have arisen to noble heights and contributed to the sum total of America's great achievements.

There are still millions who, despite ignorance and poverty, toil on, trust God, live honest lives and in humble homes do the best they can or know.

There are Negro women by the thousands who toil over the washtub or ironingboard and still live true to home and love—whose every effort is for the weal and better life of their children.

There are hundreds of thousands of Negro youth educated and refined, who seek employment of the higher kind and, failing to secure the same, accept any honorable toil, however menial, and cheerfully struggle and hope for better things.

I admit that many are in idleness and drift into crime; but oftimes they have been educated along the aesthetic lines and are barred from all employment tending toward or encouraging the same.

Idleness ensues, and this means crime.

We notice Negro criminality more because we are beginning to expect more of him than his few years of freedom and untoward environment would warrant.

However, I would not thus excuse the Negro loafer. I would have him learn the lesson of all races—particularly the great Anglo-Saxon race—to work at whatever his hands find to do, to save a portion of what he earns, however little, to rise from the lowly estate to a place of command. The Negro of respectability must not condone the offenses or approve the idleness of the Negro loafer and criminal, since we are all to be elevated in the eyes of the world only by an improvement of the criminal class as well as others Being farthest behind in life's race we must work more zealously to lift as we climb.

These ills upon the nation are but the result of slavery and must be for a time borne; and thus will toil and patience on the part of all true Americans make better the situation now calling for calm thought and pure motives everywhere.

TOO MUCH EXPECTED OF THE NEGRO.

It is not an easy matter to assign any one satisfactory reason for the present race troubles.

To begin with, the American people are expecting too much of the Negro, only 40 years from slavery, with its degrading, debauching influences of two and one-half centuries.

This was antedated by centuries of barbarism. No race similarly environed has done more than has the Negro.

Because of proscription and lack of education he is often unable to take advantage of the situation around him, and thus at times seems a burden to his white neighbor, and then comes the desire to cast him out from among the American people. Then the yellow journals and some rabid editors are writing and publishing inflammatory articles about the Negro.

Southern sentiment is working North, the hypocritical cry of "Let the South handle the problem in her own way!" is being listened to by many—and such doctrines are slowly but surely having their effect.

What is the way of the South?

The supplanting of the old slavery destroyed by Sherman's march to the sea and the silent hero, Grant, and his legions with a worse and still more cowardly one—"Jim Crow" cars, whitecaps, peonage, the land lease system and the still worse, hurt the wholesale slandering of the entire race as being worthless, dangerous and morally degenerate.

WHY THERE WILL BE NO RACE WAR.

To conceive of the civilized world standing by in this age while 10 millions of human beings are fought, conquered and slaughtered by 70 millions is a distorted mental picture not possible while conscience and reason live.

To feel that the American white man would force the same is to doubt his sanity and Christianity, and to feel that the Negro is reckless enough to bring on the same is to think him a madman. In such a struggle the Negro might finally be destroyed, but the courage displayed by both races in all America's wars would, inspired by the desperation of such a conflict, lead to horrors worse than the French Revolution, inviting the demolition of our governmental fabric

I am for peace. I want no war or strife Some predict war. Despite predictions to the contrary, this cannot be. No, unless God be dead and Christ, a myth forevermore.

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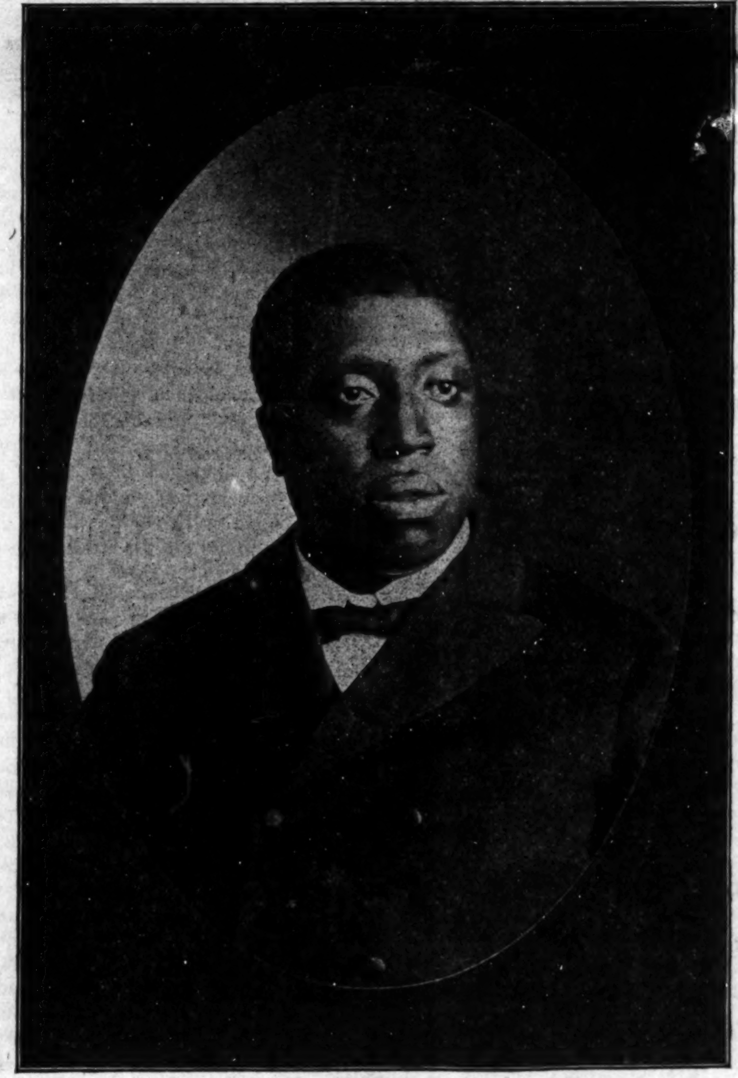

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President Western University, Quindaro, Kansas.

Greenville Notes.

Greenville, Ky., Special —The musical and literary entertainmet, given by the Zion Church Thanksgiving was a grand success Net proceeds was $26 47 which was paid to the pastor, Rev. Dr T. A. Brown. Much praise is due the stewards and stewardess for faithful work done, and to the members and friends for contributions given.—Preparations are being made to have a great time Christmas and New Year There will be a reunion of all soldiers who served in the late war, and the Post of the G. A. R., will be out in full uniform to celebrate the emancipation proclamation on the first of January —Rev. W. G. Hynes, of Nashville, Tenn, gave his grand moving picture exhibition at A. M. E. Zion Church Monday and Tuesday nights, December 7 and 8. There was good attendance both nights.

MANY CONVENTIONS

QUESTIONS THAT OUGHT TO SET OUR MASSES TO THINKING

NATIONAL GATHERINGS OF 1904

Will Strain Time, Energy and Purse of the Race—Charles Alexander and Mrs. M. E. Washington to the Fore—Sharps and Flats.

By Our Special Correspondent.

Has it occurred to any one what a store of national conventions we are laying up for ourselves next year? And has any one, with a head for mathematics, taken his pencil in hand to figure out the amount of money it will cost the race, individually and collectively, to attend the multitude of meetings scheduled for 1904? The situation would not be serious if the great bodies of our land, religious, commercial, political or protective were made up of widely different persons, with a line of demarkation sharply drawn between the interests represented; but it so happens that the leaders of each group "dove tail" in some way into nearly all of the other groups, thus piling heavy obligations upon them if they attempt to give their presence at the places we are in the habit of expecting them. The year of our Lord bids fair to smash all previous records in the number and importance of her conventions and gatherings of men, women and political parties.

Let us see. Early in May four great general conferences will be held in which vast numbers of our people are interested, namely: The general conferences of the A. M. E., the A. M. E. Zion, the C. M. E, and the plain M. E, connections. These will require the attendance of all of the bishops, prominent ministers and hundreds of laymen, with the usual large following of visitors. In June will come the Republican national convention, drawing the full strength of our political contingent. In July there will be the National Afro-American Council, the National Colored Press Association and the National Association of Colored Women. In August occurs the fifth annual session of the National Negro Business League. September brings around the National Baptist Convention. The National Sociological Society and bodies of similar character may follow later. These will invite the attention of practically the same classes of people, and among them will be many also related in some way or another to the Grand Lodge of Masons, the conclaves of the K. T., or the K. of P., the Odd Fellows' B. M. C., the yearly meetings of the Episcopalians, Presbyterians, United Brethren of Friendship, the True Reformers, the waiters and trades assemblies of various kinds, besides secret orders of every grade and description under the sun. We have said nothing of those who are called upon to participate in the campaign, nor taken account of the army of the curious who will wish to view the stupendous Louisiana Purchase Exposition at St. Louis. Nor have we mentioned the annual church conferences, state lodges or vacation trips that must consume a portion of the time. What a conceivable array of dollars all of this travel represents!

Can the race afford the outlay these numerous conventions entail? Do they yield tangible returns sufficient to justify such an expenditure of time, energy and money? Can all of these interests be cared for by a comparatively limited set of leaders, without serious detriment to the profession, business or occupation from which they obtain their living? This summary is meant to place before you an idea of the terrible strain next year's big conventions will be, and the questions are propounded with the view of inducing a candid and careful examination of the issues at stake, bringing in the final analysis the sober decision to attend only those meetings which bear directly upon the life that concerns you most and best enables you to safeguard the prosperity and happiness of America's dusky-hued millions. Some conventions pay. Others do not. Choose ye wisely.

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Mr. Charles Alexander, general correspondent editor of the Industrial Student, Wilberforce, O., and instructor in printing at the well-known Methodist school, is one of the very best all-around writers and newspaper men in the country We have long felt a keen regret that he has not been in a position to establish a great metropolitan journal of his own, or that some enterprising publisher has not been able to offer him a lucrative salary as editor-in-chief of an influential national race paper. As it is, however, he is doing a phenomenal amount of literary work, and it is always of high character, and eagerly sought by those who know good "copy" when they see it. He is exceptionally gifted as a reviewer of current books, possessing a cultured taste, rare discrimination and a nicety of judgment as to effect of various works upon the popular mind, Mr. Alexander is an ardent admirer of Prof. John Uri Lloyd, the eminent Cincinnati philosopher, sociologist and chemist, and has written comprehensive reviews of several of Prof. Lloyd's productions, notably "Stringtown on the Pike" and "Warwick of the Knobs." His latest effort along this line is a summary of "Red Head," by Prof. Lloyd, and the caption "Feud Life in Kentucky" is highly descriptive of the theme so entertainingly treated. In giving wide circulation to Mr. Alexander's review, printing it in pamphlet form. Dowd, Mead & Co., of New York and the Robert Clark Company, of Cincinnati, pay a richly deserved compliment to a young man whose genius is becoming more and more fruitful of benefit to all the Negro people.

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No woman in the Middle West is doing a more substantial home and foreign missionary work than Mrs Mary E. Washington, of New Albany, Ind. She is an orator of fluency and power of convincing her hearers, and a writer, graceful and earnest in style. In church society and in her beautiful home life she exerts an influence that is sweet, wholesome and inspiring. In a recent article, Mrs Washington makes an intensely practical appeal to the Zion Church, of which she is an enthusiastic member, to enlist the unemployed women in the various departments of that connection. She well says that if a church is to be great indeed it must engage the activities of its women, or they will find other spheres for the exercise of their talents. She suggests the gathering of female recruits into the Home and Foreign Missionary field, and the appointment of a woman to present the cause of the Church Extension Department. Mrs Mary J. Small comes in for a good notice in this work Mrs. S. E. C. Petty, Mrs. Annie W. Blackwell and Mrs. Mary Clay-Clinton are mentioned as having special equipment to labor for the enlargement of the Christian Endeavor Society's sphere in the church. Mrs. Washington's urgency that means be devised for employing the minds of the unemployed women is most timely, and the heads of the church should give her argument the serious reflection that its importance warrents.

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The Zionites have again taken up the subject of layman versus minister as editor of their church organ. Bishop C. R Harris gives potent reasons for favoring a lay editor, while Rev. J W. Smith says "nay, nay, Pauline!" We maintain our stand in favor of the laity for the business and editorial departments of all the churches. Ministerial labors require capacity of an entirely different order from that of the routine executive. The accession of the laity to these latter positions would end the quadrennial strife over the matter of using the connectional organ for personal advantage and insure the permanence of an able man when once secured. He would not be led to slight his duties while caressing the buble of a bishopric ambition, and would be wholly free to administer his office, energetically and impartially in the interest of the general church.

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SHARPS AND FLATS.

Land ownership is a primary ingredient of good citizenship.

Men in public life are greatest for what they refrain from saying.

Hustling Ed. H. Deas will see to it that South Carolina's presence in the family of states is not overlooked.

The black man is not hated so much because he is black. It is because his color stands for poverty, weakness and ignorance.

Tuskegee Institute is the only colored school in the country designated by the government as an agricultural experiment station.

If the reverend Zionite gentlemen of Alabama are not very careful there is danger that the state of "Here we rest" will overcandidate itself, and rest at the post.

Bishop J. W. Hood has well earned a place in the affections of the A. M E Zion church like unto that held by the sainted Daniel A. Payne in the A. M. E. connection.

With Miss Myrtle Hart, premier harpist, in the East, and Mr. Joseph H. Douglass, master violinist, touring the Middle West, the equilibrium of the musical world is securely maintained.

A white man in the South who ventures to condemn outrages against the Negro and to uphold the race as entitled to the civic rights guaranteed by the constitution of the United States simply courts disaster.

Will somebody oblige Mr. T. Thomas Fortune by notifying him as to the whereabouts of his very dear friend, Prof. J. Sevelli Caponi? And while the search is going on it would please quite a number of

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A REPORT GIVEN

By a Delegate to General Woman's Home Missionary Convention.

Mrs. J T. Leggett of Princeton, Ind., has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Cooper, of W. Twelfth street, and of Mrs. George A. Sissle, in Columbia avenue, for the past week. Mrs. Leggett is the wife of Rev. J. T. Leggett of Princeton, Ind., formerly of this city. She is president of the Lexington Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society. Mrs. Leggett has recently returned from Chattanooga, Tenn., where she represented her conference Woman's Home Missionary Society at the assembly of the General Woman's Home Missionary Society Convention held there from Oct 28th to Nov. 3, 1903.

The George Downing auxiliary to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of Simpson Chapel met at the residence of Mrs. Mayme Covington, West Fifteenth street, Friday afternoon, Nov. 27th, in their bi-monthly meeting. The auxiliary was entertained at length by an interesting and instructive talk from Mrs. Leggett on 'Notes from the Convention." She informs us that our Southern sisters representing the missionary work are doing as well as saying. There were thirteen colored delegates and many visitors among the two hundred and fifty women who composed the convention. All delegates received the same hospitality that is always accorded the delegates attending a convention of the M. E Church, be they held in the North or in the South. Our delegates seemed well informed as to their duty in the work of the great society. It is very interesting to know that many of them were passing the charity along. Among the twenty-two industrial homes in the South owned and controlled by the General Woman's Home Missionary Society of the M. E Church eighteen of them are for the colored boys and girls in the South. The others are for the poor whites. One-half million dollars has been expended for the support of the work in the colored conferences. The society only asks that these conferences organize their women into the work and pass the help along; not pay it back, as many think. The great church feels this a part of their work in the solution of the race problem. From what our delegate reports their schools are doing much more than can be told for us. She said many of the colored delegates were able to make pledges for their conferences for the support of the school in proportion to their white sisters. Some of them pledged from $25 to $250 to their schools and homes.

MRS J. T. LEGGETT.

She said the Lexington Conference has only one line of work within its bounds at present. That is the work of the Riley Deaconess Training School located in Senate avenue North. This school is controlled and supported by the general society at present. The Lexington Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society is so recently organized that it has been unable to do much toward supporting it. She hopes, however, when the school is presented at the next session of the conference that the conference and the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the conference will be unanimous in their desire to maintain and help foster the school. If this is done already we have a neucleus of an industrial home that is so much needed within the bounds of the conference.

Mrs. Leggett made short talks at the Sacred concert at the Flanner Guild, Sunday, and also at the evening services at Simpson Chapel.

Her graphic description of the delegates' tour to the summit of Mount Lookout was as interesting as her story of the proceedings of the convention.

M. A. S.

THE SPORT....

Benny Yanger, has been offered a match with Sammy Smith, of Philadelphia.

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Efforts are being made to pit "Klondike" against Sandy Ferguson, in Chicago.

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Charlie McKeever has promised Hugo Kelly another meeting, but says he will not set a date for the battle.

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The Jack O'Keefe-Gus Gardner ten-round battle at Grand Rapids came off last night. Particulars later.

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Young Mowatt and Hughey McPadden have agreed to terms for a six-round go before the Watita club of Chicago.

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Benny Yanger and Hugh Murphy, of Boston, met in Chicago before the Watita club Tuesday night and Yanger added to his laurels.

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Charlie McKeever and Tony Caponi were booked to fight twenty rounds at Minneapolis Tuesday night, but the former won easily in fewer rounds than that.

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Thursday night of last week, in Chicago, Hugo Kelly and Joe Grim and Clarence Forbes and Tony Moran met in six-round affairs, Grim and Forbes winning.

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Manager Haughton, of the West End club, at St. Louis, has offered an $800 purse for Benny Yanger and Hughey McPadden. A Kansas City club also wants the same pair.

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Mike Sullivan, a New England lightweight, is the latest candidate for a beating at the hands of Joe Gans, the champion. Sullivan has posted a forfeit to fight Gans at any time or place.

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Jack McClelland, the Pittsburg featherweight, and Charlie Neary, the boss fighter of Milwaukee, hooked up in a tilt at Milwaukee Thursday night of last week and the boss fighter came out at the little end of the horn.

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In what was to have been a twenty-round go at Hot Springs, Ark., Wednesday night of last week, between Kid Herman and Harty Lombard, the former won in the twelfth round. It was a rattling mixup from the start.

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Fitzsimmons recent victory over Gardner clearly demonstrates that the "old man" is still a wonderful fighter, having been the champion of the world in both the middle and heavy weight classes. He's a stiff puncher and makes a chopping block of every man he fights, whether he wins or loses. Great is he!

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Harry Walsh is anxious to get another crack at Mike Schreck. Walsh claims that he was robbed of a just decision over Schreck at Houghton, Mich., July 4. He says he knocked Schreck down in the seventh round and that the gong was sounded to give Schreck time to recover, although the round was not up. At the end of the tenth round Schreck was declared the winner. Walsh is willing to meet Schreck at any time or place and for any sort of a purse offered.

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Gardner Scores Knockout.

At Detroit, Mich., on November 24 Con. McCarthy, of Toronto, Ont., was completely knocked out by Gus Gardner at the beginning of the second round of what was scheduled to be a fifteen-round bout. A right swing on the front of the jaw did the business. McCarthy fell against the ropes and rolled over upon his back.

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Fitzgerald Knocks Out Sieloff.

On November 25 at Port Huron, Mich., Willie Fitzgerald knocked out Otto Sieloff in the third round at the Port Huron Athletic club in a battle which was to have gone ten rounds at 135 pounds. The honors were about even until Fitzgerald in the third finally landed three left hooks to the jaw, followed by a hard right to the solar plexus, felling Sieloff for the count. In the semi-windup Kid Bush, of Buffalo, got the decision over Mike Bartley, of Chicago.

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Corbett and Hanlon Matched.

Young Corbett and Eddie Hanlon have signed articles of agreement with the Hayes Valley Athletic Club of San Francisco to fight twenty rounds on December 29, in this city, at the Mechanics pavillion. The boys are to weigh in at 229 pounds at 6 o'clock on the night of the fight. The delay in reaching an understanding has been caused by Corbett, who demanded bonus as champion. The Hayes Valley Athletic Club finally agreed that Corbett should have 5 per cent, of gross receipts and he was also allowed his railroad expenses from the East.

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Now that the fiasco between Fitzsimmons and Jack Gardner is a thing of the past the sporting population has turned its attention to the coming mill between Eddie Hanlon and Young Corbett. The picking of the probable winner was introduced for discussion in Harry Corbett's sporting resort in Frisco. There were more Californians than foreigners present, and the result was an unalterable conclusion that Eddie had the punch, stamina and agility to win for him the decision against the next best man in the world. Corbett has decided to start training at Sheehan's tavern on Ocean Beach Monday. Hanlon and Corbett recently sat down together and talked over the division they are to make of the gross purse tendered them by the Hayes Valley Club. That each of them expects to win was shown in the desire to have the victor's end as large as possible. They finally concluded, however, to do as the fair thing with the loses, and determined to cut the money up 70 and 30. In addition to receiving a bonus of 5 per cent. Corbett will have his railroad expenses and those of his trainer paid from and back to the East.

Cairo News Notes.

Cairo, Ill., Special.—A donkey party was given by the A. M. E. church Sunday-school scholars of Bible class No 2 at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. Bell. Those present were Miss Albertha Fountain, Mattie Givens, Odessie Scott, Carrie Robinson, Plasina Henderson, Bessie Bullet, Bettie and Etta Grundy, Josie and Nettie Ruffin, Dimple Robinson, Gertrude Jenkins, Lizzy Giles, Katie Martin, Francis Matterson, James Pearson, Horace Randolph, George Harvey, Fred and Henry Ciphers, Manual Hughes, Richard Flowers and Frank Dunlap. The death of Mr. Charlie Williams was a shock to the community. He was a true knight, having served one station for seven years, a consistent christian, and many friends mourn their loss. Mr. Charles Blakemore is dead. Willie Young has returned from St. Louis. Thanksgiving day was spent very pleasant among the different churches, and they all seemed to have large gatherings all day. Mr. Austin King has returned from St. Louis. Miss Mattie Fulks of Mound City was a Cairo visitor Sunday.

Central City Notes.

Utica, N. Y, Special.—Mr. M. C. Davis of New York City took charge of the Butterfield House, Utica, last week. His many friends wish him success. Raymond Rogers of Syracuse died on the 13th of November. He leaves wife and daughter to mourn their loss. The fair at Hope Chapel was a success. T. H. Simmons of New York is in the city for the winter. Mr. G. R Sullivan visited friends in Montreal, Canada, last week. The Freeman can be had by applying to A. C. Denike's barbershop. Anna Denike is home after a long visit with friends in New York City and New Jersey.

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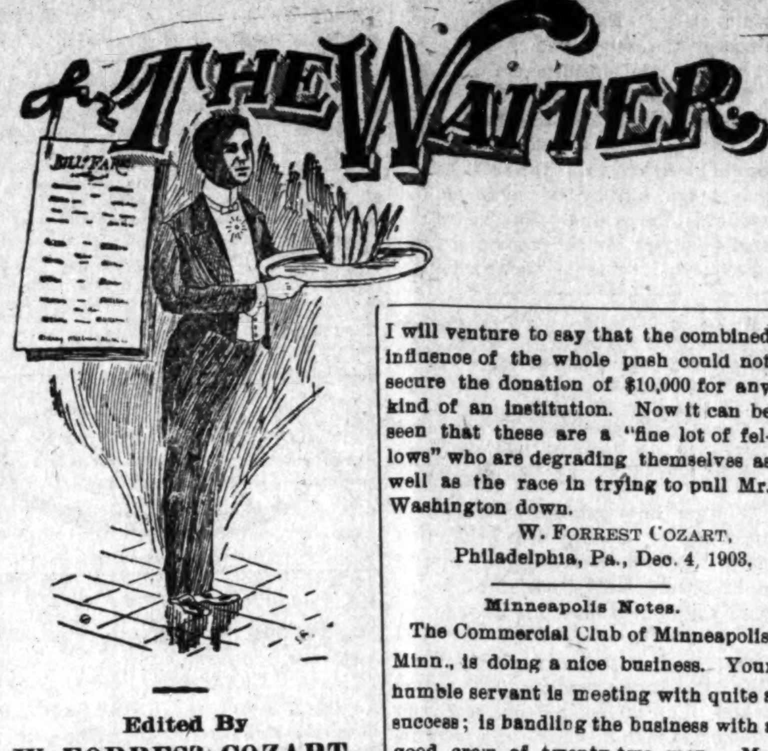

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WASHINGTON THE GREAT.

A Leading Hotel Man's Opinion of the Accomplishments Wrought.

Booker T. Washington is the eighth wonder of the world. His rapid rise up from slavery, founder of Tuskegee, the most prosperous industrial institution in the world, demonstrate that he is the greatest educator of the century. Mr Washington is pre-eminently the most conspicuous educator and race builder since the days of the men who made Greece the most classical nation on earth.

Mr. Washington is unostentatious and yet his very presence, his name and words act like magic upon those with whom he comes in contact. He is a skilled diplomat and his counsel is sought and accepted by all the leading public men of the two hemispheres, regardless of religion, color or politics.

No other colored man could have gone into the heart of the South, the wild wilderness of race hatred and oppression, and successfully trimmed the sharp thorns of opposition, won and retained the good will of his "friends the enemy." In the very hotbed of sectionalism he has built up a colossal industrial institution which has won renown and whose graduates and students are in demand the world over. One of the secrets of Mr Washington's success is he has eschewed politics, (that damnable institution which has proven the undoing of the race) Mr Washington's superior diplomacy has made him as acceptable in the South as in the North and just as acceptable to the generous men of all the political parties. President McKinley had implicit confidence in Mr. Washington and on many occasions summoned him to the White House where he would ask for advice. On these occasions Mr. Washington would advocate the appointment of the best men in the South, regardless of their political faith, and be it ever to his credit that he advocated the appointment of men with sterling qualities, like Judge Thomas G. Jones of Alabama. Having known Judge Jones for 20 years the writer fully appreciates Mr. Washington's wisdom. About 2 years ago right here in Philadelphia Mr. Washington was the principal speaker at a mass meeting at which ex-President Cleveland acted as toastmaster. Mr. Cleveland's complimentary remarks upon that occasion are well known.

President Roosevelt upon many occasions has shown that he recognized Mr. Washington as the peer of his race. Mr. Washington's wisdom, sincerity and demonstrative ability have also won the favor of the philanthropists. He has "sung the song which reached their hearts" and, as a result, they are filling the coffers of Tuskegee in order that the good may go on. Great is Booker T. Washington!

Mr. Washington's work is indorsed and highly appreciated by both races, with the exception of a few jealous and ignorant colored men of the East who think that they are opposing him. There are two classes to this element: First, men who have more money than brains, who oppose everyone that is on the road to success, and whose motto is "Rule or burst." Second, the ignorant class that is unable to appreciate anything of value coming from one of their own race.

The recent donation of $600,000 threw consternation into the rebellious camp, especially that clause which makes a provision for the care and comfort of Mr. Washington and his family during life. In conclusion I will ask how much money or other donations have those who are opposing Mr. Washington obtained through their influence? I will venture to say that the combined influence of the whole push could not secure the donation of $10,000 for any kind of an institution. Now it can be seen that these are a "fine lot of fellows" who are degrading themselves as well as the race in trying to pull Mr. Washington down.

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Minneapolis Notes.

The Commercial Club of Minneapolis, Minn., is doing a nice business. Your humble servant is meeting with quite a success; is handling the business with a good crew of twenty-two men. Mr. Foster is still holding his own as second waiter with Mr. Sylvester Tucker third; M J. Bradley, captain of first watch; J. J. Turner, captain of second watch. The Commercial Club will tender a luncheon and smoker in honor of the Minnesota successful foot ball team of the season. Frank Crowder, for many years head bellman of the club, is holding his own with much success with a good crew of boys. The new chef, who was lately installed is meeting with much success. There was a queer incident last week. The maid of the Commercial club disappeared, and it was reported that she was sick. A lady called to see how she was getting, and it was discovered she was not at home, but taken sick at the depot because the train did not arrive that was to bring some one in that she longed to see. There is a particular one—a Montana gentleman that has just sold his claim in the mining business—the train was late, and she could not leave to return to her duty at the club or any place else until the arrival of that train. There is another trip expected soon, and it is expected to be a return of two instead of one, for the miner cannot get away. Sam Crawford is still holding his own as headwaiter at the West Hotel with J. W. Scott second. He has a good crew and is doing nicely.

At the head and second waiter's convention, which convened in Atlantic City, N. J, the association was completely reorganized. One of the most important changes was the admitting of the sidewaiters to membership. The editor of this page introduced a similar resolution at the Buffalo convention, but it was defeated. The majority of the headwaiters think it will lower their dignity to be placed on equality with the "side" men, in proportion than there are intelligent headwaiters. It is a fact that the success of the colored headwaiter depends entirely upon the "side" men, but the success of the colored "side" men do not depend upon the colored headwaiter, therefore the head waiter has everything to gain by combining their interest with that of the "side" men. The fact that a man is headwaiter does not make him any better personally than the men under him; it is the position, as quite often, yes, too often, the head man is inferior to the men under uder him.

The name of the association has been changed so as to read Head, Second and Sidewaiter's National Benefit Association of America. The fee, for the sidewaiters, is $2.00 to join and $1 00 yearly fee; this entitles to $30.00 at death, and $5 00 per week during illness. Headwaiters pay $3 00 to join and $2 00 yearly fee, and receive $50.00 death benefit, and $8 00 per week during illness. The convention wound up by electing Baltimore as the next meeting place, the last of May or the 1st of June. The new officers of the association are: Frank P. Thompsgn, 111 W. 27th street, New York City, president; E. W. Harper, Portland Hotel, Washington, D. C., vice president; Geo. W. Banks, 111 W. 27th street, New York City, secretary; C. M. Farras, Merchants Club, Baltimore, treasurer.

Samuel McFarland, treasurer of the Waiter's Local 658, Atlantic City, N. J. died in that city recently.

We are much pleased to again note the fact that our friend, C. C. Lewis, is making a great hit at the Louisville Hotel, Louisville, Ky. Mr. Lewis is a practical hotel man with great executive ability. He was at the Tremont Hotel, Chicago, for twelve years, during which time he was in charge of the kitchen and diningroom. Since leaving the Tremont Mr. Lewis has been at the Albany Hotel, Denver, Colo; the Burnett, Cincinnati, O; the Russell, Detroit, Mich., and the Coates House, Kansas City. Mr. Lewis is a native Kentuckian and therefore is very much at home at the Louisville. Here's to you, Charlie!

W. Forrest Cozart is again editor of this department and there is going to be something doing.

The Waiter's Local at Atlantic City has nearly 800 members. Morris K. Holland is president and Chas T. Lucas is financial secretary.

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Dr. S C Ware, the leading physician of Springfield, Ill, is an ex-headwaiter. Dr. Ware graduated from Roger Williams University and Meharry Medical College at Nashville, Tenn

Rev. S. S Jolly, pastor of the Asbury M. E. church Atlantic City, N. J., is an ex-waiter and during the Head and Second Waiters' convention in that city he delivered an instructive address to the convention.

Mr. O. S Russell, who succeeded the late Thos. H. Frazier at the Chittenden Hotel, Columbus O, is giving general satisfaction, and is now a permanent fixture at the Chittenden. Mr. Russell was formerly second waiter under Mr. Frazier at the Chittenden.

We are reliably informed that Mr. Wilson Percival has been appointed headwaiter at the New Breakers Hotel, at Palm Beach, Fla. The Breakers opens Dec. 17th. Mr Percival is a well-known Eastern headwaiter, and has had much experience in his line.

Since our last issue we have been officially informed that Mr. William Evans will not return to the New Breakers Hotel at Palm Beach, Fla., this winter, but will, after a brief vacation, return to Hot Springs, Va., to the Old Homestead, where he succeeded Headwaiter Smith last spring. We congratulate Mr, Evans upon his success. Merit will win.

A waiters' school of correspondence has been established at Kansas City, Mo. The promoters propose to teach the art of waiting by mail. This is a progressive movement, and no doubt much good could be done along that line. But we are inclined to believe that the majority of waiters have not yet progressed far enough to appreciate a school of correspondence.

Mr. J. M Butler, the affable headwaiter at the Marlborough House, Atlantic City, N. J., was recently presented a gold watch by his crew as a token of appreciation for his kind treatment. Mr. F. M Motley, the second waiter, was presented a fob and charm. Mr. Butler is a member of the National Board of Managers of the Head, Second and Sidewaiters' Association.

The recent convention of the Stewards' International association asked to establish a culinary training department at Tuskegee. The editor of this page wrote Mr. Washington a similar letter in 1900 and pointed out the necessity for such a department. In his reply Mr. Washington agreed that such a department could be made beneficial, but he did not have the funds to establish same.

James Hill, the efficient headwaiter at the Gayoso Hotel, Memphis, Tenn., is meeting with much success in the management of the diningroom at that hostelry. Mr. Hill has had experience in such hotels as the Midland, Kansas City, Mo.; the Templeton, Salt Lake City, Utah; the Windsor, Denver, Colo., and had just retired from the Coates House, Kansas City, when engaged for the Gayoso.

Church Item.

Greenville, Texas, Special.—Rev. H. R. King was transferred by the C. M. E. church to the East Texas conference held at Landrum, Tex., in 1902, and was stationed at Greenville. He is now winding up a successful year's work, having collected more than $1 000 for all purposes. His return is earnestly wished by those of his church and the community at large. The church has been greatly improved since his coming. Three hundred and fifty dollars has been put in new pews for the church, which adds greatly to the already excellent appearance. Rev. Billie Owens wishes that every person here would become readers of The Freeman. Read it and you will find that it is the best paper for the race.

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Picked up in Passing.

Cadiz, O, Special.—Fletcher Christian, who has been sick for some time, is still in a critical condition. Dr. Henry Hargrave, a former Cadiz boy, who has been visiting old friends here, has returned to his home in Washington, D. C. Mr Hargrave is a splendid example of what energy and push will do. He is now employed in the Medical Department of the Pension Bureau at Washington. He expects, next summer, to build up active practice for himself. Mr. Hargraves has worked his way up by hard labor between school terms until he has become a full fledged physician. He is a credit to his native place and Cadiz feels proud of him.

The Grim Reaper.

Victoria, B. C, Special.—Mr. Nathan Pointer, who spent the many years of his life in useful servitude, is dead, having survived his respected wife but a few months. Mr. Pointer had long lived in the community wherein he died and had won for himself a praiseworthy place in the hearts of those who knew him. He had by thrift and energy gained much of this world's goods which is given to the two daughters who are left to mourn their loss. He was a conscientious christian and took great pride in the race with which he was identified. The Freeman joins in sympathy with the many friends in their loss and regrets the going of a staunch admirer and reader.

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A SOUTHERN WHITE LADY.

A white lady of one of the Gulf States on being requested to write something concerning the social life as it related to Negroes in the Black Belt replied in part as follows, which is noted in a recent issue of the Christian Register:

"I am a native of this State, have never lived out of it, and, speaking for myself, I have no more fear of the Negro than I should have of white people as ignorant. I have lived in the country years alone, with an aged mother Our protector was a Negro boy. I have been in deep distress, and have never had tenderer sympathy or more faithful help than from her I call my 'mammy.' I feel toward the race as I would to a race of children. I think there was never such an army of martyrs as the Southern women who trained hundreds of the Negroes as slaves I believe no people except the Southern people could have handled this immense body of children. Now that they are free I have known only the better class. I have never had any intercourse with the kind called brutal But my own experience is, they all need guidance, and that their best teacher is "obedience"—some strong hand to lead them through drudgery upward. I believe in the progress of the race; but I do believe along with book education must come the line upon line, precept upon precept, of steady occupation, and learning to obey. Idleness is their very worst enemy, and morality and real religion should be set against that, together with steady work. I wish I could write just what you want, but fear my experience is limited too much to the best class of Negroes. I believe the lowest can be uplifted; but I do not believe they are yet ready, as a race, for casting votes or taking their place as equals of the white race, and I do not think they desire it I am very much interested in the problem, and for the Negroes' good."

The writer is not, according to the recipient of the letter, known to public life, nor was the letter intended for the public eye which, of course, makes it more valuable as an estimate of the race problem viewed from her small zone. The writer is evidently cultured; she expresses herself with that apparent abandon which marks the discerning educated and also marks the truth.

The summary, as it may be fairly termed, will be scarcely more displeasing to one race than the other. She knows the better element only, however, which fact would lessen the weight of her views as they concern the total Negro race, but, happily, the better class is in the vast majority. It does not mean that the better class is the white collared class altogether, for it is very likely that her Negro boy protector has very much to do at times beyond wearing white collars, and there are countless more. She has no more fear of the Negroes than she has of the ignorant whites; it is excellent testimony in behalf of the Negroes in that they are not so much different from others of similar opportunities. It is a well-known fact that the Negroes generally suffer under some general notion of "badness," affecting every man as if every man were guilty of brutrality.

The lady is right when she insists that the race needs guidance; it does, for it is but a race of infants in the world of affairs. They do not need so much guidance along the lines of morals and religion, obedience there alone, being needed; but guidance long the lines of those things that build up and preserve; morals in their more general sense—civic conduct, mutual regard, propriety, thrift, economy, business tact and business conduct are where is yet needed the guiding hand of the whites, and their continued oversight, and will be for some years to come. Something cannot even be filched from nothing The big feeling man who has prospered some and has been helped more feels to stand alone. He may, but what about the millions more who have yet unfolded to the intense glare of this latter day civilization; these yet need the pillow of fire by night and the clouds by day to route the path to the goal of racial acceptability.

The writer is doubtful on the ballot proposition; it is here that she varies with the better judgment of thoughtful men. To have granted the franchise enabled the country to present a constitution in keeping with the spirit of the country—every man politically free—the culmination of the struggles of centuries and the whither to which the whole world is drifting. To have suddenly endowed a mass of ignorance with the very flowering of freedom is a matter of debate as to time only, but it is nearly a political axiom that political neutrals from choice or force suffer contempt in the popular mind, and in the latter case, force, it would be the backward slide to the condition from which the race was freed without mode or manner of redress. The writer concedes books and other means of intellectual improvement, which concessions are in violent conflict with the withholding of the ballot; liber free; liber book, things too well understood by those who held slavery's reins in the days of long ago. As to social equality in its prohibition, it is as yet the unwritten laws of part of the people. The colored people are not clamoring for it, and, in fact, the question should never have risen to the dignity of an issue. The whole business is a matter of associations and hearts, which may be controlled by the individuals The State will never be able to dictate terms there; the crusade, if there must be one, will have to be waged in private, in the homes and associations.

AN INSTITUTIONAL CHURCH.

It will be pleasing to the many friends of Rev. H. L. Herod of the Christian church of this city to know that a number of his white friends, friends of the church and of the colored people, have substantially recognized his merits as a minister and a citizen. These friends will support him in an industrial work in connection with his church, giving it an institutional character, for which purpose they have agreed to place a fund of $10 000 at his command.

In Rev. Herod we feel that they have found an ideal man; he stands for civic righteousness, idealism in politics and the purity of the individual along moral lines Those who know him intimately know him in the best sense, which is quite the reverse in most cases, giving rise to the saying that no man is a hero to his valet. Rev. Herod is fresh from school, having recently graduated from Butler College of this city. His puritanical ideas may be due to his very recent entrance into public life, but it is a fact nevertheless that he practices what he preaches, and the committee of gentlemen has done well in laying on hands at this time, placing him above temptation and want, keeping him pure and sweet that he be not detracted from the work for which he was sent as it were.

Rev. Herod is young, active, an uncompromising foe to wrong, a man of education of rare discernment and sound judgment. He is not hide bound to creed, but to the Master. He will not forget to preach up his notions at any stage of the game—not ashamed of Christ. Indianapolis should feel proud to know that it has an individual so worthy of the attention shown, and rejoice in the possibility for good made so by his presence. There is a crying need for an institution of the character proposed. It will be needless to say that the committee of gentlemen will receive the unbounded thanks of the colored people of this community for the evidence of friendship.

The President has issued his annual message to Congress in which he discusses the questions and issues before the country in a frank, straightforward manner, which leaves but very little opportunity to doubt his statesmanship, executive ability or to question his conservatism. Whatever strenuousness the President may be endowed with seems, in this case, to have been used up in giving force and direction to his utterances. The "enemy" will have trouble in finding a weak point in his armor.

"Why take chances when we have certainties?" says a Cincinnati paper of recent issue in reference to the political situation, and in opposition to Roosevelt. Name your certainties and make a fortune; it beats policy; sure shot.

By a vote of 18 to 7 the trustees of Trinity College, Raleigh, N. C., refused to accept the resignation of Prof. Basset, who, in his enthusiasm for Booker T. Washington, said that after Robert E. Lee he was the greatest product of the South. Some considerable opposition to his views was expressed by the students and also by the public; he felt justified in resigning. The board refused to accept his resignation, assigning satisfactory reasons for its action.

Mr. B T. Washington's critics are simply letting the world know that they can't see off the tip end of their nose.—Pine Bluff Herald

You are right, Bro Duke, and some of them are now seeing from behind prison bars on account of their own nonsensical foolishness—Arkansas Appreciator.

They are now out and recently held a jubilee over the auspicious exit. It is believed that Mr. Washington can now go to Boston and speak right in the commons without let or hindrance.

Says the Chattanooga Convention: "We demand the enactment of a law making it an offense for any well and able-bodied man or woman to desert his or her family, and refuse to care for and support his or her family" Well, we should say, yes. The would-be law is a little crude, but it gets there. There may be meaner happenings than the Chattanooga convention

Some one writing to Mr. Trotter in his paper says that "I am glad that the day of your deliverance for you and your faithful co-worker, Martin, is near at hand," to which Mr Trotter could well reply, "My greatest day of deliverance has already come off and for which you do not rejoice more heartily than I."

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Whisky, cocaine can be cut out without appealing to the legislature as the Chattanooga convention did. Peonage was also prayed against, but it is a result of other conditions from which relief might be asked and should be expected.

President Roosevelt will need all of his talents now to keep from being dislodged; his kopje is being approached on all sides.

New Orleans offers $300,000 for the National Republican Convention; it can raise it to $500,000 with absolute safety.

The doughty Dowie is still in the saddle at Zion City. He gives evidence of conquering the bucking broncho.

President Roosevelt seems to have the field "skint" when it comes to the presidential succession.

Kalamazoo News.

Kalamazoo, Mich., Special.—Isaac Linard was called home, last week, in Mandal, Ohio, his father being very low. Miss Lizzie Harris of Youngstown, O., is the guest of mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Harris of East North street. The ladies of the Second Baptist church gave a social Thanksgiving. Presiding Elder Sanders held a quarterly meeting Sunday at the A. M. E church. A large congregation was in attendance.

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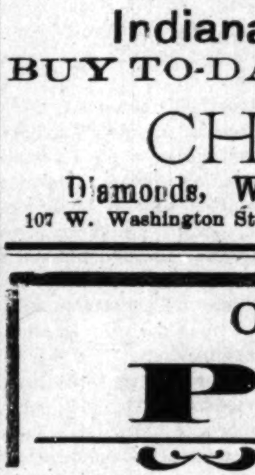

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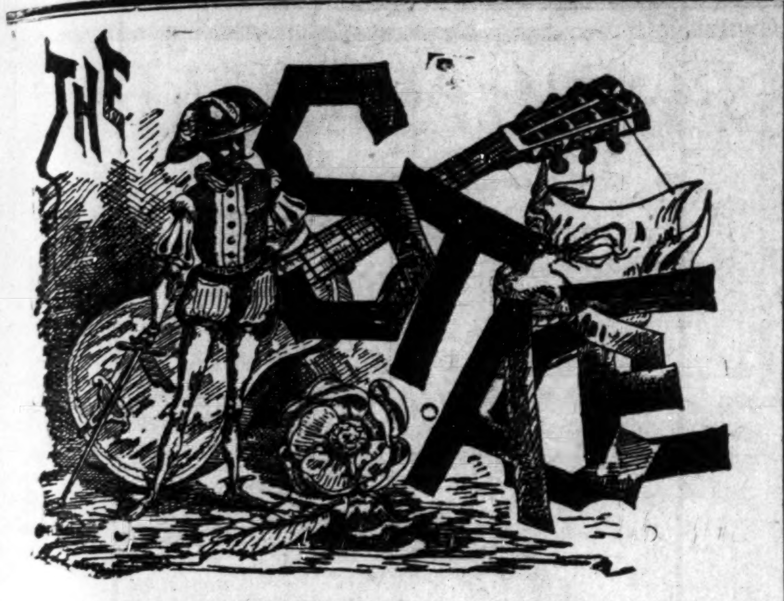

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Johnson and Dean report continued success on the continent.

J. Ed. Green, late with the Black Patti Troubadours, is to be found in St Louis, Mo., at 2217 Walnut street.

One Billy Farrell is in London again and is playing at the Tivoli. He goes to the Empire, Newcastle, shortly.

The wife of Dick Weston, a pianist and composer, of Louisville, presented him with a fine baby girl on Nov., 27

Luke Pulley writes from New York that 100 couples will participate in the cake-walk in Madison Square Garden December 25

Clemo Harris, contortionist, and Cassells and the "Maid," late with Dale's Troubadours, have joined the "Hottest Coon in Dixie" Company.

Tom Logan sends regards to R. C. Logan, John Williams, the Hendersons, Will Able and Daddy Love and asks Bob Kelley if he will ever forget Winstead, Conn.

A. L. Bryant, of Demopolis, Ala, writes that on December 2 Richard & Pringle's Minstrels played in that town and that Frank Cleremont's band was especially praised

North & Clark, a pair of comedians of Columbia, Tenn., will put on "The Dreadful Twins" at Gobleston's Hall in that city at an early date They would like to hear from a good quartet. Address 39 Tenth street.

Nail Brothers, of New York, well-known to theatrical folk, have added a fine restaurant to their well appointed sample room, which is said to be the swellest in the United States owned and controlled by colored men.

W. Goff Kennedy says hello to the Black Patti show and says that his company played West Point, Miss., to S. R. O. and escaped unharmed. Thank heavens! Regards to Kid Love, F. B. Wood and W. M. Thomas.

"In Dahomey" will remain in the bill at the Shaftesbury, London, until the end of January, when the theatre will be redecorated. During the Christmas holidays two performances of this musical comedy will be given daily.

Griffith B. Wilson, New York, writes that he has recovered from his recent severe spell of sickness, and is about ready to resume his contortion and acrobatic work. Sends regards to Marsh Craig, Clemo Harris, Rastus & Banks and Walt Hill.

George Ade has another big dramatic success in "The County Chairman," which delighted Chicago on its presentation there, and also Indianapolis, and is now drawing large houses in New York. Mr. Ade seems to have the magic touch, as everything he writes turns out to be a success, as is well instanced by his "Peggy from Paris" and "The Sultan of Sulu."

"A Rabbit's Foot" comedy company played Memphis at Church's Auditorium recently for three performances to big business and the company made a hit. "Happy" Arthur Howe and W. Goff Kennedy scored heavily, as did the rest of the company. There were several receptions given in honor of various members of the company. The entire company sends best regards to Memphis friends.

Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis, the race's distinguished emotional actress and dramatic reader, is touring Tennessee very successfully. She will shortly enter the Middle West and fill a number of engagements in Kentucky, Indiana and Illinois. She is a splendid drawing card and the thought suggests itself that there is a barrel of money in store for an enterprising manager with capital who will "star" her through the country in a strong problem play, surrounded by a company of first-class artists.

Notes from Domino Theatre, Fernandina, Fla—Our show this week is giving the greatest of satifaction. Rollie Bollie and Pickining, by the Acme Trio, John W. Dennis, Tom Logan and Father Kinnie, is one of their cleverest efforts of the season. Kittie Brown and Sarah Price are introducing their sister act. Fred Sulis, pianoist, is still at his post. Estella Jones is still pleasing. Ella Ward is featuring 'In Those Happy Autumn Days." Bob Russell paid us a pleasant visit Tuesday evening. John W. Dennis sends regards to John D. West, Fountain B. Woods and Mr. and Mrs. James Love.

R O. Henderson, enroute with L. R. Stockwell's Uncle Tom's Cabin Company writes—Everything is lovely, and the show is running smoothly. The citizens of Santa Rosa royally entertained the entire company at the home of Mr and Mrs. Freeman Thanksgiving. The entire company sends their regards to their many Santa Rosa friends The Yosemite quartet is making good on all the popular songs. L. R Stockwell, our manager, appreciates our work in a substantial way. Mrs. D. B Jones sends regards to the Brittons, McCarver & Jones and all friends. The Spencers and the Hndersons sends regards to P. G. Lowery and all friends.

Notes from Kersands' Big Minstrels.—The company has abandoned the Lone Star State and has taken on the Parishes of Louisiana Business has been all that could be expected Cook & Jones are still reaping the harvest of applause that their act merits. The Alabama quartet, composed of Messrs Langford, Cameron, Burton and Smith, is making good. Sidney Kirkpatrick is singing "When Jane and I will Wed" W. A. Dixon, with his new song, "Just Because She was an Old Sweetheart of Mine," captures the ladies. Mr. H. S. Wooten is making a decided 'hit." A J. Smith is still singing, "A Thousand Leagues 'Neath the Sea." The Houseley Brothers are in a class to themselves Old "Billy," everybody's friend, seems more popular than ever. Our band and orchestra is still on top. E J. Burton sends regards to Lon Gilbert Dave Smith says write Wm Shields. Kid Langford says best regards to 'Little" Cooper Sidney Kirkpatrick wishes to be remembered to the entire Rusco party Marsh Craig is still with the "big trick."

The Gallery at English's.

As time advances many pronounced changes manifest themselves in the matter of theatricals. This is obvious in the technique and craft of the stage as it is, also, in the clientelage supporting the art.

In earlier times it was considered extremely indelicate for persons holding places in the charmed circle of the genteel and polite to occupy seats in the gallery of a theatre This opinion held good even when the lower house had been sold out to a heavy advance, thereby forcing many people of high social distinctions to mingle with what they were pleased to term: "the rabble." However, it is indeed an ill wind that blows nobody good. This chance association has done much to lift the stigma of disdain that for a long time held sway over the gallery. Little by little persons of the respectable middle classes have begun to patronize the galleries of the theatres (high-class ones, of course), until now it is a genuine surprise for one to visit the gallery of a first-class theatre and note the character and deportment of the people assembled there.

At the English Opera House, this city, one may see men and women comprising representatives of the trades and professions in every branch. These persons whose salaries or incomes do not warrant the occupation of seats costing from 50 cents to $3.00 find comfortable and acceptable seats in the gallery at 25 cents without sacrifice of dignity or association. They see the same show, and, in some instances, at better advantages than those quartered below, at a price which will allow them to witness two attractions for the minimum price of one in any other part of the house.

So many colored people who are staying away from the high-class, moral and instructive offerings of this house would do well to "split up" the price they occasionally pay for a seat downstairs and avail themselves of witnessing more of these plays by the method herein suggested. From a distinctly educational standpoint we heartily recommend the English Opera House attractions. They are a school of high art and general training.

The popular craze, now in vogue, dramatizing late successes in fiction, affords an excellent opportunity of getting, in one pleasant evening's entertainment, that which would require a whole week's reading of dry descriptives and non-essential matter. The management is congenial and really solicits the patronage of the colored people. You are welcome to any part of the house Do not stay away because you cannot pay the fancy prices scheduled on the lower diagrams.

ATTRACTION TONIGHT.

James O'Neill of "Monte Cristo" fame will be seen in a dramatized version of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's "The Adventures of Gerard." These stories, which deal with the exploits of an old brigadier of Napoleon's army, are full of excitement and fun; Gerard himself is the typical old soldier fond of talking of his exploits. The play was made for Mr. O'Neill by Conan Doyle and Eugene Presbrey and has been staged under the management of Leibler & Co. In the play Gerard is a captain of the Hussars, and during the course of the drama several of his most remarkable adventures have been brought in. Leibler & Co. have a number of successes this season. Indeed, they have not had a failure this year. Under their management are Eleanor Robson in "Merely Mary Ann;" Kyrle Bellew, in "Raffles;" Ada Rehan and Otis Skinner in classic repertory and "The Eternal City," which played at English's last Saturday night.

Drama in Orange.

"My Lady Darrell; or, a Strange Marriage," a melodrama in 4 acts, was produced by the Mt. Olive Baptist Church Amateur Dramatic club at Commonwealth Hall, East Orange, N J., Tuesday evening, November 24. Among those who took part were Miss Lobelia Goode, Miss Martha Gee, Mrs. D R. Watkins, Mrs K L Davis, Miss Lugenia Peters, Miss Forbes, Messrs. W. T. Thomas, Lawrence Davenport, Lee R. Montague, Brown Matthews, Sylvester Cunningham, Isaac King and T. J. Hutchinson. Solos were rendered between the acts by Miss M. Grasty, a very promising sweet-voiced soprano, and Mr. Brown Matthews, who sang popular ballads. Miss Lobelia Goode, leading lady, carried off first honors among the women, but the "Mother Cripps" of Miss Forbes was all that could be desired. Lawrence Davenport, as the villain, made a good showing after the first two acts. He may not be accustomed to squeezing the fair sex very often, as he squeezed Miss Goode so tightly that she could not get a chance to show her intended emotion, to resent the insult Was this Larry's last chance? Lee R. Montague and Brown Matthews must be specially commended for the scholarly manner in which they delivered their lines. Mr. Montague, who was evidently pleased with his surroundings, wore a broad smile on his face throughout the entire performance, regardless of music or murder. Mr. W. T. Thomas, leading man, who wore an unbecoming blonde wig and who did not speak his lines distinctly, was otherwise very good. There was a large audience present and through the instigation of Dr. Stilwell, Orange's eminent colored physician, the proceeds were divided between the church and the Orange Memorial Hospital. The production was under the management of Mr. Sylvester Cunningham, secretary of the colored Y. M. C. A. and music was furnished by Prof. Van Dyke and John O'Lake, Jr., both of Newark, N. J. Sylvester Russell, the famous singer and critic of this city, viewed the performance from the balcony.

P. B. R. Hendrix's Chicago, Ill., Notes—Samuel Duffy is as fat and "sassy" as ever and sends regards to all. Bailey and Spiller cleaned up at the Castle houses. Caldwell and Thomas are doing finely and are the hit wherever they appear. Grundy and Weatherly, the great talking, singing and dancing team, after playing a successful engagement on the coast, are in the city for a few days only. Remember, boys, The Freeman desires to surpass any effort hereinbefore made with its Christmas number, and as you do not want to be left out this year, you had better send in early and get space, for you are going to regret it if you are left out. A large number have already sent in. Boom The Freeman! William Dixon of the famous Blackstone Quartette is able to attend to the duties of his business. George W. Pickett, formerly of the Williams and Walker show, is in Denver, Colo., a victim of that dreaded disease, consumption. Daddy Love has opened a paper for contributions to assist him. He heads the list with $5 00. You will be given credit for all amounts forwarded Mr. Love, as he will give an itemized account through The Freeman Address him at 336 Twenty-seventh street, professional headquarters. Daddy Love wishes to be remembered to all. Mrs Love sends regards to Louis Love, Hogan and Wilkes. Mr. and Mrs. Billy McClain and all other professional friends.

Napoleon Johnson, of Richards & Pringle's Minstrel sends the following.—We are back in the state of Alabama Business continues good. In Demopolis on the second the local uniform band gave a dance in our behalf, and we all had a good time. Wm Garland is singing 'Down on the Farm," assisted by the Georgia quartet Harry Kraton has completed two pretty waltz ballads, viz "Inez" and "Since You are Mine Clorine," and expects to have them on the market soon Alberta Ormes-Dudley has recovered from her recent illness. Dudley, Kelley & Ormes, in the skit, "I'm Hungry;" Simpson & Pittman, musical cadets; Clarence Powell, the mirth producer, are still working in the olio Regards to Desdunes & Harris, Gideon and Mr. and Mrs. Kersands.

MANY CONVENTIONS

CONCLUDED FROM FIRST PAGE.

A. M. E. bishops if Brother J. C. Sam. Sharp, late of Denver, Colo., could be located.

Sentiment is growing in favor of organic union between the C. M. E. and the A. M. E. Zion connections. The masses of both churches want it. What causes the delay in arranging the terms of the "merger?"

Just what the American Protective League is and who its members are has not been clearly established by the alleged convention at Philadelphia. J. W. Henderson should apply 'The Torchlight" to a larger extent.

With Grover Cleveland eliminated from the Democratic equation, the opposition will have a hard time finding a Presidential quantity who will be able to get into the "also ran" class with matchless Theodore Roosevelt.

John Temple Graves may talk all he wants to about deporting the Negro, but whoever attempts to put the deportation business into practice will get into "a whole heap" of trouble with the industrial South, where black labor is indispensable.

The many booms for the A. M. E. bishopric, great, medium and small, seem to command respectful consideration save the one having its habitat in the office of the Washington Record, with the pastor of a third-rate church in Baltimore as its central figure. Is there none so poor to do it honor?

Let us suggest that this text be mounted upon the altars of the literary and debating societies in our great "hot air" centers like Boston, Washington and Chicago: "If any man offend not in words the same is a perfect man."—James iii:2. In other words, keep beautifully silent when you have nothing to say.

The news that Rev. Theodore Faustin Holly is dead will be heard with profound regret in the many portions of America where his talents and moral worth were well known. He was the eldest son of the bishop of Haiti and was assistant minister of the pro-cathedral church of the Holy Trinity at Port au-Prince for 22 years.

Senator George Frisble Hoar, of Massachusetts, belongs to that sturdy old American stock who place principle above policy and who have the courage to stand by the covenant which made black men citizens with all the rights guaranteed to other citizens. Senator Hoar has written an autobiography, a copy of which ought to be in the home of every Negro in the land.

The failure of Zion City and the success of Tuskegee are significant indications of the relative managerial skill of the two largest experimenters in independent town-building of their respective races. A comparison between the skyrocket and visionary exploitation of John Alexander Dowie and the safe, conservative methods of Booker T. Washington shows greatly to the advantage of the latter.

Editor J. W. Cromwell of the Washington Record is kind enough to assure the public that he has no complaint to make on account of the free advertising given him by your correspondent. The assurance, however, is quite unnecessary, as there is no instance on record where Brother Cromwell was ever known to refuse anything that was free. But, be that as it may, the erudite and reminiscent Washington scribe, in the role of royal grand keeper and comerlengo-in-chief of the fantastic J Albert Johnson bishopric boom is entitled to all of the next-to-pure-reading-matter advertising he has been receiving.

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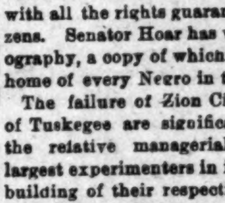

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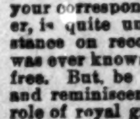

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He is a success. He has become easily the most talked of man in America today with but one exception, and it is because he has proved to be a man that does things, and such things that wring applause from the entire world. He is the only Negro in America that has been entertained by the faculty and regents of Yale College on perfect terms of equality. The same of Harvard College.

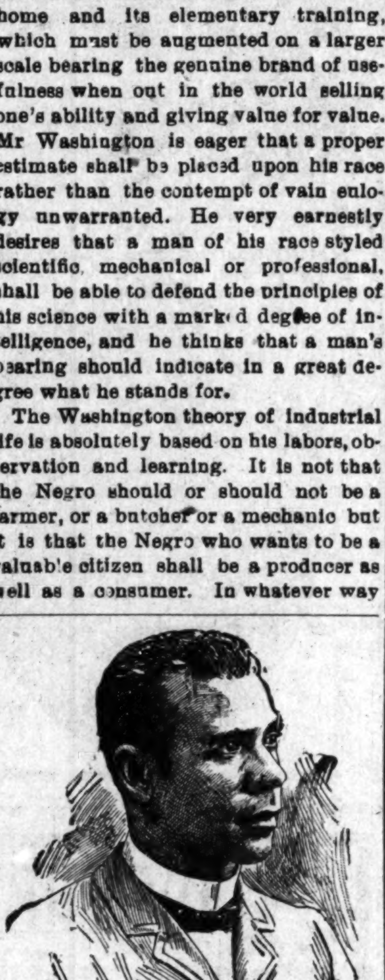
He has through his great energy and broad scope of knowledge created an institution comprising every branch of learning that appeals to the Negroes' pressing needs in the South. Besides teaching everything in the arts and mechanics, and giving the youth the very best all around education that can be gotten in the South, that makes respectability and decency, self-respect and regard for others' welfare the cardinal principles of this great community school.

In the conducting of so vast an institution as Tuskegee, with her forty or fifty various departments in as many different colossal structures, together with a farm of several hundred of acres in cultivation, many things have been said which while applying in a general way to the entire country more specifically to and peculiarly to Tuskegee and the vast operations of the school.

In this particular Mr. Washington is the only man of the race whose resourcefulness can command the rich and great, make Presidents of the United States rise to their feet to him and bow their recognition with an uncovered head. Another notable feature of Mr. Washington's character is the expenditure of the larger sums of money appropriated by employing his own school boys, Tuskegee-made mechanics, and there is perhaps an outlay of more than fifty thousands of dollars annually going back into the pockets of the Negro. Washington is making the way for men when properly made to make money, make people respect those who can make money. The truth is to stand. Evil-minded, designing men may for lack of comprehension (and some innocent ones, too, because they are misled) try to criticise Mr. Washington on some premises, but they are compelled to admit that they are not worthy to criticise him, no matter how much learning they may have. For various reasons, one in the main, they have done nothing themselves but prove to be miserable failures. Nor is it the extent of Washington's greatness to win esteem, wealth, (whole fortunes intrusted to him), it is the evidence that the varied elements of greatness are in him unimpaired without which no one of them could be so manifest, and he truly demonstrates all of these elements in a very marked degree There are but two kinds of character that find fault with any great cause and peradventure criticise the hero of the hour. It is the egotist whose knowledge of books proves to make him fascinating,—and it is the other extreme who knows nothing of books, but everything not in print Here are two unfortunate beings cast upon the world and it proves to be the very class Mr. Washington is trying to help—it is the critic that needs the application, he with his load of books and he who has no use for books,—the superabundance of the books as nauseating as the other who won't have books when there is no underlying principle or balance wheel.

Mr. Washington wants every man and woman of the race educated, but he insists that it shall be the goods. It must not be without the foundation, the chief cornerstone of which is the home and its elementary training, which must be augmented on a larger scale bearing the genuine brand of usefulness when out in the world selling one's ability and giving value for value. Mr Washington is eager that a proper estimate shall be placed upon his race rather than the contempt of vain eulogy unwarranted. He very earnestly desires that a man of his race styled scientific, mechanical or professional, shall be able to defend the principles of his science with a marked degree of intelligence, and he thinks that a man's bearing should indicate in a great degree what he stands for.

The Washington theory of industrial life is absolutely based on his labors, observation and learning. It is not that the Negro should or should not be a farmer, or a butcher or a mechanic but it is that the Negro who wants to be a valuable citizen shall be a producer as well as a consumer. In whatever way he can make money honestly, and enlarge his bank account, is alright with Mr. Washington, but as Mr. Washington sees it, the race must possess some of the land in a commonwealth to be in any material way concerned in government It is evident that those of the race who make politics a profession possess very little of anything only a big mouth and a most willing stomach ready to be a receptacle for anything coming its way. This does not in any manner apply to those who succeed, but to those who fail in politics, because they are chronic failures not only by circumstances, but by habit.



DR. BOOKER T. WASHINGTON.

The American people believe in him because he has deep convictions. A man must have, first of all things, convictions. He must have summed up in his mind something; that something may be grand or it may be infinitesmal. Whatever that conviction is, the man's personality will warrant, and every man must have a personality. If there is a firm, strong conviction, the motives underlying make the personality strong and the man great. Here you see the man Booker T. Washington whom Presidents delight to honor to whom steel magnates surrender fabulous sums of money, to whom myriads of bequests are given, to whom our greatest and most renowned colleges give degrees of doctor of philosophy and master of arts, and who is recognized by all the civilized world as the foremost man of Negro blood in his veins in all the world President Roosevelt recognized that Dr. Washington was a man of convictions, or he would never have been trusted to advise the lofty counsels of a nation the better way to please the hearty concern of a section of country constructed in many points different to states far remote and above Mason and Dixon's Line. It is no idle assertion that the appointments Mr. Washington recommended to the chief executive of the government have in every particular demonstrated that they were nonpartisan in the discharge of their governmental duties, and are not partial to any kind of a citizen, unless they are good citizens irrespective of color.

It has come to such a condition in our race life that he who accomplishes great good for the great hosts, whether his methods be crude, or by some fascinating rule of action, mankind must be benefited and he who succeeds becomes a benefactor. The adopted plan through which these great hosts are to be benefited may not suit the minority and they may demur or dissent and go off on some thin-webbed theory of Utopian blessedness, and barely keep life in the body, but it is then when the hosts or greatest number are deserted and they left to struggle amid hardships on the rugged edge of despair.

Mr. Washington stands for the vast majority of the race for whom city life and its gayeties offer no alluring bribe, for those who will live amid the woods, the crags, the wildness and the prairie, crude children of nature who love the maiden appearance of things, and who cannot be reproached with the idleness so characteristic of those who stand far from the battlefield of the fierce action and heed no sound upon their conscience, giving no reply to the stern mandates of duty so like a bugle call.

It is Washington crossing the Delaware of race hindrance, obstruction and race lethargy and urging his race to their oars every man of them. The freakful humor of the opposers of the doctrine so ably preached by this eloquent destinationist in many ways demonstrates a stolid truth that so called highly educated men are sometimes the veriest helpless fools. Unfortunate beings who by the luckless chance get on the opposite side of right and disagree because of an empty stomach, a bad digestion or a sterile brain. The race needs men, men who can see positions and emolument through the cornfield, can see the wealth of a struggling race through a cake of cheese or a kiln of burning brick, can see the honor and respectability vouchsafed through a bank account, can see down through a dozen decades of sterling, stalwart manhood struggling with the forces of nature, the fruition of his constant effort settling down upon his posterity many years after his tired, wornout body has been cast to Mother Earth. These are the Puritans in ebony that time and constant toil will evolve, and these are the men who having profited by the inculcation of a conviction, a true and earnest purpose, a rule of action that coming generations will build monuments to enhance their sacred memory. Of Dr. Booker T. Washington the entire world will say, "He hath builded better than he knew"

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UNJUST TREATMENT

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As to your next query, may I say I believe it possible to effect a better understanding between the races.

I cannot bring myself to that degree of pessimism that doubts the final triumph of right and justice. The laws of the land provide for the same, the economy of Divine creation demands it.

A better era will come.

I have always found the best white men in sympathy with Negroes striving for the right.

The better elements in both races have no quarrel. Our serious race troubles are usually begun by the more radical and oft-times vicious of both races.

These sooner or later enlist the sympathy of the better classes.

The sanest thought of the age is for a better understanding. This will come by the pursuance of the proper course on the part of the leaders.

Let the white minister preach charity, righteousness and the true Christianity, at the same time condemning without stint sin and violence, whether on the part of the lawbreaker or the mob.

Let the Negro minister preach the same Christianity and love, take the same stand against criminals and mobs, and foster morality and education among his people.

Let him teach the Negro that brains, character and property are today our greatest need. Let him preach that, since we are on trial, we must all the more struggle to rise.

Let all the race be as quick to have a Negro criminal punished, according to law as are any of the American people, and thus refute the charge that we uphold criminals and maintain a lower standard of morals than other races.

MORE NEGRO FARMERS NEEDED.

The Negro needs more farmers and fewer loafers, more money and less poverty, more true manhood and less veener and sham, more doctors and less quacks, more competent school teachers and fewer wage-drawing school keepers. In short he must approach man's highest standard and the demands of God everywhere.

Then let the whites who would settle the question aright keep radical Negro haters away from Chautauqua, where the best means of settling the race question are being discussed. Let them cease to give wide publicity to the sayings of unreasonable orators (who will not see anything good in us), whose high official position enables them to add fuel to flames already consuming our national traditions and principles sacredly consecrated by the blood of patriots of both races since Knox was martyred at Bunker Hill, or the Negro, Attucks, fell on Boston Common. This will bring about the only solution consistent with reason and our present civilization.

Lastly, I aver that the races are to continue to exist side by side as American citizens, imigration being impossible.

The Jamestown settlers came to America in 1607, the Negroes in 1619, the Pilgrim Fathers in 1620. Side by side, though a master and slave, they have worked, suffered, fought and died. In peace the Negro has been faithful and helped to tunnel mountains, dike seas, construct railroads, delve in the mines, cultivate the soil and make his brawn and sweat a part of our country's fabric.

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In war he has never faltered, as will the battle of Croton river in the Revolutionary war, New Orleans in the war of 1812 and the brave blacks of Fort Wagner, Olustee and Mines of St. Petersburg, and many other sanguinary fields of the Civil war attest. And the Cuban soil, where sleep the brave heroes of the Ninth and Tenth regulars; the Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth, (see President Roosevelt's tribute) is "hallowed" with the ashes of Negro ex-slaves and their children, all saying to America that the strong black arm and brave heart of ten millions of her citizens will be given gladly for her sake.

Why cannot such a people remain here in peace and security?

These plead, entreat us not to leave these hills and ivy mantled cliffs, made by nature towers and citadels to human liberty and freedom. We cannot gather the drops of blood drawn from our bodies by sword and lash and carry them with us We cannot gather the tears and groans of near three centuries and the bleached bones of our loved ones in canebrake and cotton patch, or on battlefield, left there for all these years. These we would want with us as a memorial.

PEACE WITHOUT SOCIAL EQUALITY.

The best white men are going to help him to help himself as has been the case for generations.

I am convinced that by the adoption of the right methods the two races will exist side by side peacefully without social equality, but as loyal Americans, respecting each other and working for, fighting for, and, as ever in the past when called upon, dying for this country of ours—America, the asylum of the oppressed, the gift of the All-Father to the down-trodden of earth

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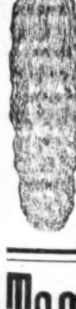

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Rev Samuel Hopkins and Rev. Ezra Styles, both of Newport, R. I., originated the idea of founding a society to colonize American Negroes in Africa in 1773.

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Mrs. Lucy Goins, of Asheville, N. C., operates a first class steam laundry, the only establishment of the kind owned by a colored firm in that section of the state

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A C Howard, the Chicago shoe polish inventer and manufacturer, does business with nearly every state, and has practically a monopoly of the trade in Mexico.

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Dr. W. H. Ballard is a Lexington, Ky, druggist. The services of four clerks are required, and 60 000 prescriptions are filled annually. His patrons are both white and colored.

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Mrs F. J. Coppin, the honored wife of our Resident Bishop, has prepared an excellent leaflet. "Simple Helps for Missionary Workers." It is printed in English Native and Dutch.

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Garrett Hazel Johnson, of New Haven, Conn, an attache of Yale College, is worth $25 000. He owns four fine houses in New Haven and a summer home on Long Island Sound.

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The Consolidation Coal Co., Oskaloosa, Ia., has decided to erect a $20,000 Y. M. C. A., building at Buxton. It will be the first of the kind in the world to be occupied and managed by Negroes.

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Jacksonville, Fla., Savannah, Ga., and Columbia, S. C., have Negro messenger boys. The Western Union has dismissed the white messenger boys in the above mentioned cities for unreliability

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Rev. J. Gomez, of Alabama, is announced as a candidate for general secretary of the A. M E Zion connection. Rev. T. Athens Weathington, of the same state, is an aspirant for general stewart.

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The Negroes scored a signal victory at Fort Riley during the maneuvers. Ten of the 15 events were won by the Colored contingent of the maneuver division, and nine of these ten were won by the Twenty-fifth infantry.

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Rev. A. H. Attaway, principal of Bethel Institute Cape Town South Africa is maturing plans to organize a very large industrial school. He has been assured support in his project from some of the leading men in Cape Town.

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A colored commercial company, composed of A. C. Wormley, George King and J. C. Johnson has been organized in Boston. It is backed by several leading business firms of that city, whose goods they will handle throughout the South and West.

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A shirt factory at Nashville, Tenn., conducted by T. G. Ewing & Co., has been in operation three years. Shirts, overalls, skirts, Shirtwaists and dresses are manufactured. Nine girls are employed. Last year 750 dozen garments were made for wholesale merchants.

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Andrew Berad, a Negro who has worked in the machine shops of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad Co, in Birmingham, Ala., for 20 years, has just sold a patent for a car coupler of his own invention for $100 000. In addition he is to get a royalty on every coupler made on his model for seventeen years.

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Mr. H. Sylvester Williams, a colored gentleman, native of the West Indies, and a barrister of repute, was sworn in at the bar of Cape Town recently. Mr. Williams is the first colored man to register as an Advocate in South Africa. Besides being a British subject he was a practictioner at the bar in London before going to Cape Town.

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The Boston Advance, which has been published six years by the Advance Pub. Co., has been merged into the Industrial Union of America. West Indies, and Canada, creating an Industrial Department for type-setters and printers where girls and boys will be given an opportunity to learn to set type and to learn to do general job printing any one desiring to learn type is taught.

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Liberia extends for 500 miles along the West coast of Africa, and reaches 200 miles inland. The population is 1 068,000 of whom 18,000 are either freed slaves from the United States or their descendants. The rest are native Africans. Monrovia, the capitol, (named in honor of President Monroe) has about 9 000 inhabitants. No white man is allowed to vote or hold property. The colony or republic cannot yet be regarded as a success.

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The National Sociological Society, which met in Washington, recently, to discuss the "Race Problem," created a special commission composed of three Negroes and three whites to bring the matter before congress, and to be a permanent aid in effecting a solution. The three whites selected are: Rev. Dr. Dean Richmond Babbitt, rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Brooklyn; Rev. Dr. Boyd, of Boston, and Hon. George Gorham, of Washington, D. C. The Colored members are: Hon. James Lawson, president of the Sociological Society; Prof. Kelly-Miller and Mr. Daniel Murray, of Washington. D. C.

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In 18,9 Frank Johnson organized his famous brass band, which enjoyed the distinction of being the P. S. Gilmore band of its day. They rendered the best class of music, and on their visit to England were received in all the principal cities with great demonstration, and the press was most lavish in its praise of the esemble work of the band Queen Victoria invited them to play before her and her court, and as a mark of her esteem she presented a handsome silver bugle to Mr Johnson in her name. Mr. Johnson won respect from all classes, and was often engaged for great gatherings in distant cities by white organizations. He died in 1846 and his silver bugle was placed on his coffin as a reminder of one of his victories.

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Mr. R O. Preyer and Rev. Dr. Williams Yost of the State of Ohio. some years ago donated five acres of land, one mile from Elizabeth City for the use of the Colored Normal and Indusdustrial School, providing that at least "three months of school must be kept on the property each year." Some two years ago, the building on said property was destroyed by fire, and since that time the Normal Industrial School has made no attempt to use the same. But the gentlemen aboved named, still desirous of doing something towards promoting the industrial training of the colored youths throughout Eastern North Carolina, have generously donated the said tract of land to the state board of education, and R. O Pryer, M. B. Culpepper, Elisha Overton and P. W. Moore as trustees to hold said land for the industrial and educational department of the Colored Normal School of Elizabeth City.

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At a recent meeting of the local branch of the Bricklayers and Masons' International Union the question of admitting colored men as members arose. The local branch of the union is composed of 800 members, and by an overwhelming majority it was decided not to admit colored men to membership or to even grant them a separate charter for organization. George Gubbin, of Chicago, president of the International Union, was present, and endeavored to pour oil upon the troubled waters. The members, however, were loud in their denuciation of colored mechanics. But in spite of protests, President Gubbins threatened to issue a charter to an organization composed of 40 colored bricklayers and masons, and make them regular members of the International Union. The white organization was enraged over the matter, but finally admitted the colored men to membership.

Educational Notes.

According to the press Prof. W. S. Scarborough of Wilberforce University is still delivering his scholarly critique on the authorship of the famous oration against Alciabades.

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And Prof. John J. Smallwood, principal of the Temperance, Industrial and Collegiate Institute of Claremont, W. Va., is no mean poet, judging by the beautiful verses seen in the first number of the Educational Appeal.

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The Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational Association, in session recently at Lincoln, Neb, appropriated seventy-seven thousand dollars for the education of the Southern Negro. Walden University, Nashville, Tenn, gets $7,000 and Meharry Medical College $1 000. Sixteen thousand three hundred dollars was granted the white schools

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During last summer while President McGranahan of Knoxville College of Knoxville, Tenn, was visiting in Pennsylvania he was most happily surprised by a gift of fifty dollars from Mr. C. M. Campbell, a farmer of Butler county, Pennsylvania, and an old friend. This gift was saved out of the earnings of a Butler county farm and meant much to Mr. Campbell, and proportionately means very much to us. An elder in one of the Iowa congregations, who did not wish his name mentioned, also gave fifty-eight dollars. This gift was large far beyond the handsome amount of money that it represented, as his annual income is not large. Another friend, a member of another denomination, gave twenty five dollars These gifts all came unsolicited —The Aurora.

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Says the South African Christian Recorder in reference to an industrial school in Bechunaland for the native youth: "In dealing with the question of native education those who have it in hand professionally will do well to profit by the experiences and mistakes of other places and times. Our people must begin at the bottom, as all other people have, and rise by slow and painful steps to the best and highest. The natural, logical laborer of this country is the darker race. Let our people then be trained as intelligent workmen. Let him learn to intelligently till the land and bring from the bowels of the earth its treasures and you have settled the question of his future. This is not for one moment to depricate the higher education. Let those who are able take the professions, but we need one thousand trained farmers to every one trained doctor or lawyer."

Booker Washington's Work Applauded

Jeffersonville, Ind.. Special.—If any doubt has ever existed in the mind of any one as to the popularity of Dr. Booker T. Washington in this community of three thousand industrious and thrifty colored people that doubt was dispelled by the spontaneous acclaim with which the story of his work and its results was received on Monday evening at Wesley M. E Chapel. The speaker was Mr. R W. Thompson of the Quartermaster's Depot, who recently spent several months at the Tuskegee Institute, and whose opportunity for studying the methods and views of the "Wizard" was of the most authentic nature. The recital of Tuskegee's immense industrial, agricultural and mechanical scope and its marvelous learning and uplifting influence in the Black Belt of the South is an old theme, but its interesting quality seems not to wane with time, and a large audience listened to Mr. Thompson throughout with rapt attention, giving frequent bursts of applause and according an ovation at the close. The address was delivered in connection with an unusually meritorious musical and literary program, which included prominent readers and singers from Louisville, Ky., and New Albany, Ind. Among them were Rev. R T Bailey, Mrs. Dr. E S. Porter, Mrs R Frank Taylor, Misses Grace McGuire, Nellie M. Gray, Emma Dupree, Bettie Brown, Blanche Coatley and others Rev. G. W Lanford, the pastor is a scholar and Christian gentleman of the loftiest type, and his presence and zealous ministerial labor in Jeffersonville have been of incalculable benefit to all of her citizens. Dr. Langford is a staunch supporter of the practical educational system espoused by Booker T Washington, and he is greatly pleased over the cordial greeting which his followers gave the story of Tuskegee's magic growth. James M. Reynolds, one of the most prominent colored men in Southern Indiana, died Wednesday of Bright's disease after a long illness. He was sixty-nine years of age, and wielded influence in business, political and Masonic circles. For many years he was connected with the Quartermaster's depot, and was at one time custodian of the Clark county court house. He also conducted a large barber-shop. His son, Harry Reynolds, a clerk in the Treasury Department at Washington, came on to attend the funeral. His daughter, Mrs. Cunningham of Booneville, Ind., gave him tender attention during his last days. A local branch of the National Negro Business League has been organized with a full set of officers, all active business men. A public meeting will be held at Bethel A. M. E. church, Monday evening, Dec 14th. Rev. C. L Purce of Louisville and others are announced as the speakers for the occasion. The local league will stimulate the commercial instinct of the people here, and is planning to send delegates to the Indianapolis convention. A delegation of Jeffersonvillians will go over to Louisville on the 19th to hear the premier violinist, Joseph H. Douglass, who appears at Odd Fellows' Hall for the benefit of the Church of Our Merciful Savior (Protestant Episcopal).

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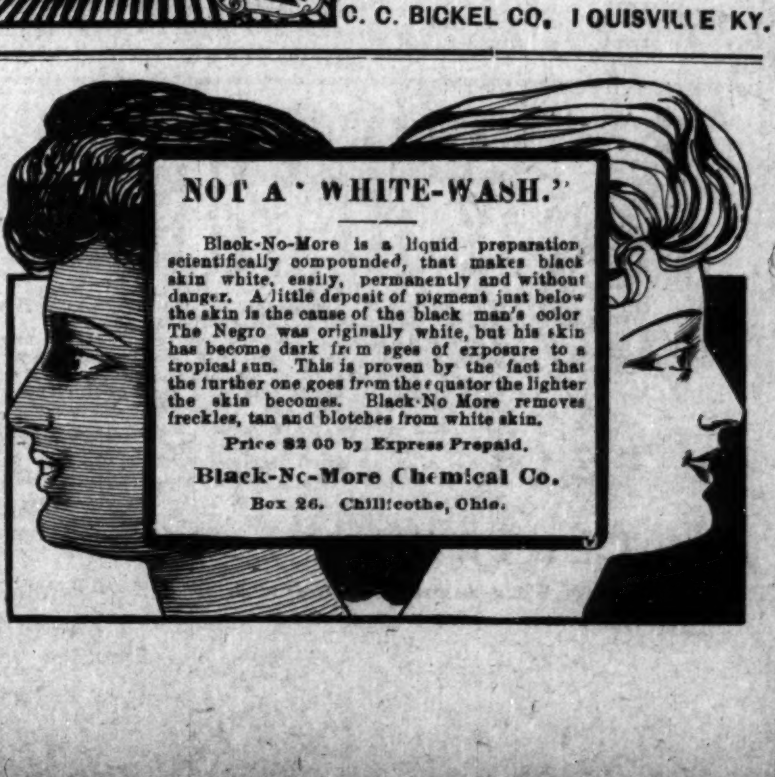

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CITY AND SOCIETY BRIEFS.

Edward Jones has returned from Colorado.

Mr. William Viney was a caller at the Y. M. C. A. last week.

Mr. Joseph Todd of Cleveland, Ohio, was in the city last week.

Paul Laurance Dunbar will appear at Bethel church on the 21st.

Thomas W. Valentine is out of the city this week on business.

Rev. C. H. Johnson has removed from 1713 Alvord street to 529 Bright street.

The Parker House donated a cake to the Y. M. C. A. reception committee this week.

Revs. Chambers, Gibson and Stewart are frequent callers at this office. All are welcome.

Miss Mae Fisher with Al. Jones is having great success in vaudeville. She is now in Omaha.

Gabriel St. Clair of Logansport, Ind., was in the city Monday to attend the funeral of his brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Frederick Hodge are subscribers to The Freeman and reside on West 14th street.

News items for this column are received by mail or phone. Send them in by Wednesday morning of each week.

Don't forget the opening night of the dancing school, Tuesday December 15, at Odd Fellows' hall. Admission 25c.

Mr. John Bryant, the popular foreman of the Oneida Hotel barber-shop, is ill at his home, 311 W. North street.

Mrs. Paul Shaton of Locke street will leave Tuesday, the 15th, for Macon, Ga., to spend the winter with her mother, Mrs. Emma Phillips, and her sister, Mrs. A. E. Thompson.

What heretofore been known as the Men's Club entertainment will now be in charge of Messrs Anderson, McAfee and Davids, who will retain the same night, every other Tuesday, beginning December 15.

Mr. Grant Johnson, a senior student of the Manual Training High School, is the leader of a new literary society comrosed of colored students of the school. He was unanimously elected president and Miss Mable Roper secretary.

A non denominational ministerial union has been formed in this city. Committees have been appointed on by-laws, constitution and nomination They will meet next Tuesday afternoon at the Bethel parsonage and elect officers.

The violin and song recital given last Thursday night at Bethel church by Frank F Brown, tenor, of this city and Joseph H Douglass, violinist, of Washington, D. C., was the best that any Indianapolis audience has witnessed for some time.

The Y. M. C. A. literary society debate was well attended Thursday evening. The round-table talk was well received on Wednesday evening. Mr. Ogden, a prominent white lawyer of this city, will address the Y. M. C. A. to-morrow afternoon.

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DIAMONDS AND JEWELRY

We desire to mention the Hodge-Ward wedding, which was unavoidably omitted last week. The knot was tied by the Rev. C. H. Johnson. Miss Belle Lewis played the wedding march and music for the ceremony. The affair was witnessed by a host of their friends

Messrs. C. A. Webb, Willis Bryant, George Stewart, Major Gardner, Jos Broyles, H. L. Sanders and Dr. J. B Morgan will meet at Bethel church on the 18th to form a business men's league. The above named gentlemen are well known leaders, and much is expected to result from the coming together.

Remember the 16th Allen Chapel choir will entertain about eighty or a hundred choir singers. You should not miss hearing the program. The admission is in the reach of all who love good music, and the proceeds are for securing books. Mrs. L B Sneed will be one of the principals of the evening.

Messrs Fred Anderson, Jerry McAfee and George Davids will open a first class and up-to date dancing school at Odd Fellow's hall Tuesday evening December 15. Instructions given from 8 30 to 9 15. Special attention given to beginners. Dancing from 9:15 to 1 a m. Music by Anderson's orchestra.

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One of the most pleasant meetings in the history of Waterford Lodge No. 13, A. F. A. A. M., occured at their hall Wednesday evening, the occasion being their annual election of officers. The harmonious spirit displayed by the retiring and defeated members was in keeping with that grand body they represent. It is hoped that the brethren made no mistake in seleting their choice officers for the following year, which are as follows: W. M., Randall Hodges; S. W., Charles W. Goens; J. W., Henry Dunlap; Treasurer, DeLoss Seaton, Secretary, Orange Sneed; Chaplin, Rev John Johnson; Trustees, Timothy Butler, Lucius C. Fletcher, Wm. Finley; S D., John Burch; J. D, Charles C Baker; Stewards, Wm Burch, Claborn Jackson; Tyler, Wm. Winlock.

ALLEN CHAPEL NOTES.

Hours of service:—Sunday, 10:45 a. m., preaching; 12 m., class; 2 p m., Sunday School; 7:30 p. m., preaching; class Tuesday night; prayer meeting Thursday night; teacher's meeting Friday night. Rev. H. E. Stewart, pastor, residence 1501 Cornell ave.

The trustees extend thanks to the Young Ladies' Business Club, church Aid Society, members and friends for $90 last Sunday. Special sermon by the pastor at 10:45 a. m Song service at 7:30 p. m., assisted by Miss Dasie Walker and the class in physical culture The Missionary Society will meet Friday afternoon with Mrs White, 1514 Martindale avenue. We are always ready to welcome friends and strangers. The choir reception on the 16th will be as follows: Voluntary, organist; invocation, pastor; song, Ninth Presbyterian choir; song, Corinthian choir; selection, A. A. Taylor's orchestra; song, Jones' Tabernacle choir; song, Mt. Zion Baptist choir; selection, orchestra; song, Simpson Chapel choir; song New Bethel Baptist choir; selection, orchestra; song, Bethel A. M. E. choir; song, Second Baptist choir; selection, orchestra; remarks. Hayes Wilson master of ceremonies. Come early and get good seat.

A Pleasant Entertainment.

Mr. Thaddeus Jones' initial appearance in Indianapolis on last Friday evening, December 4th, was a complete success. The audience unanimously pronounced him the best. His style and power were grand The audience was deeply affected when he recited the "Organ Builder." His mode of infusing pathos and sentiment, his power and great depth won for him profound respect. His portrayal of the chariot race is sublime, upon which he received an encore. Mr Jones is one of the best elocutionist in the country, and an artist in his line. Dr. W E Brown, as master of ceremonies, quitted himself nobly.

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Florence Shepherd vs Ellsworth P. Shepherd

State of Indiana, Marion Co.ss: in the Circuit Court of Marion Co., In the State of Indiana.
No. 13014
Complaint Divorce,

BE IT KNOWN, That on the 8th day of Dec., 1903, the above named plaintiff, by her attorneys, filed in the office of the Clerk of the circuit court of Marion county, in the state of Indiana, her complaint against the above named defendant Ellsworth P. Shepherd and the said plaintiff having also filed in said Clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person, showing that said defendant, Ellsworth P. Shepherd is not a resident of the state of Indiana and said cause is for divorce and that the above named defendant is a necessary party thereto and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said court, and answer or demur thereto on the 4th day of February, 1904.

NOW, THEREFORE, By order of said Court said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against him and that unless he appear and answer or demur thereto, at the calling of said cause on the 4th day of February, 1904 the same being the 4th judicial day of a term of said Court, to be begun and held at the court house in the city of Indianapolis, on the 1st Monday in February, 1904, said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged, will be heard and determined in his absence.

Wm. E. Davis, Clerk.

A. H. Dickey, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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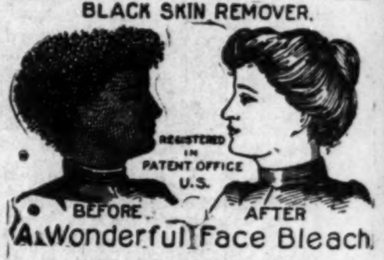

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